



# 2017 COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL / POSTGAME NOTES (1 OF 2)



Colorado Buffaloes (5-4, 2-4 Pac-12) 44, California Golden Bears (4-5, 1-5 Pac 12) 28

(Folsom Field, Boulder, October 28)

## MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS



FINAL SCORE.....	44	28
Time Spent in the Lead (Tied 8:31).....	51:29	0:00
Total Plays-Yards .....	80-553	78-435
Plus Territory: Plays-Yards.....	29-160	32-191
Drives With Plays in Plus Territory.....	7 of 11	6 of 12
First Down Plays/Yards .....	36/240	34/171
Average on First Down .....	6.7	5.0
First Half .....	8.2 (19-155)	2.3 (15-34)
Second Half .....	5.0 (17-85)	7.2 (19-137)
Rushes/Average.....	24/4.2	6/1.2
Passes/Average (includes sacks).....	12/11.7	28/5.9
Times Gained: 20+/10+/5+ .....	1/8/19	2/7/12
Times Gained: 2-/0/Neg.....	14/5/4	21/12/3
Second Down Efficiency .....	7-26	8-25
First Half .....	4-13	1-11
Second Half .....	3-13	7-14
Yards Gained .....	155	157
Third Down Efficiency .....	11-17	8-17
Rushing .....	7-8	4-4
Passing .....	4-9	4-13
Average Yards To Go (All).....	6.6	6.8
Average Yards To Go (Conversions).....	6.2	5.3
Yards Gained .....	158	100
3rd & 5 or less.....	7-10	4-8
3rd & 6 or more.....	4-7	4-9
Fourth Down Efficiency (Yards) .....	1-0 (0)	2-2 (7)
Total Possessions/Average FP.....	12/C27	12/Ca25
First Half .....	6/C26	5/Ca22
Second Half .....	6/C28	7/Ca27
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20 .....	3 (2/1)	3 (3/0)
Drives Started In Plus Territory .....	0 (0 pts)	0 (0 pts)
Three Plays & Out .....	1	5
Opponent Turnovers (Pts).....	1 (7)	1 (0)
*Red Zone (pts).....	5-5 (27)	3-4 (21)
Plays-Yards.....	7-(-1)	7-36
Third Down Efficiency .....	0-2	0-0
Yards by Quarter:		
1st .....	171	96
2nd .....	190	81
3rd .....	92	48
4th .....	100	210

\*—red zone is inside-the-20 ("the 20 is NOT in the zone"—the creator.)

▶ Players who carried out CU's symbolic instruments tonight:  
**Sledgehammer:** Chris Bounds      **Toolbox:** Michael Mathewes  
**United States Flag:** Derrion Rakestraw      **Colorado Flag:** Terran Hasselbach

## QUICKLY

**700!** Colorado became the 25th school in NCAA history to win 700 games with today's victory; the Buffs now own an all-time record of **700-498-36**.

Colorado pulled to within **5-4** in the series with Cal, but now lead **4-2** in Boulder ... The two have played four times as members of the Pac-12, with CU outscoring Cal 174-147, thus the **321** total points means the 80.3 per game when these two play ... CU has 2,250 yards in the four games (562.5 per), Cal has 1,801 (450.3) ...

**First Drive:** CU earned a first down on its opening drive for the first time since the UCLA game; the opponent went three-and-out on its opening possession for the first time since the season

opener (CSU) ... The scoreless third quarter was the first in the series since the fourth quarter in the 1975 game; one team scored in at least 22 straight quarters in the series, and the Buffs had scored in 14 in a row ... CU had one turnover today, thus has just two in the last 21 quarters ...

Colorado's **171** yards were its most in the first quarter this season; its **190** yards in the second quarter as its second most in any quarter (199 vs. Northern Colorado); and its **361** yards in the first half were the most in any half this year. The **553** total marked the third time with 500-plus this season (569 vs. UNC, 551 vs. Arizona). CU is now **11-5** under MacIntyre when gaining 500-plus yards.

**THE 100 CLUB** Junior DB **Nick Fisher** joined a very exclusive club when he returned an interception 100 yards in the fourth quarter. It was the 11th 100-yard play in CU history, the fourth interception return of that length.

## COLORADO / 100-YARD PLAYS

### KICKOFF RETURNS

Yards	Player, Opponent, Site, Date (*—opening kickoff of game)
100	Byron White vs. Denver at Denver, Nov. 26, 1936 (TD).
100	*Cliff Branch vs. Kansas in Boulder, Nov. 7, 1970 (TD).
100	*Billy Waddy vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Nov. 22, 1975 (TD).
100	Howard Ballage vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Oct. 21, 1978 (TD).
100	Walter Stanley vs. Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980 (TD).
100	*Ben Kelly vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 9, 1999 (TD).
100	Marques Mosley vs. Utah in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2012 (TD).

### INTERCEPTION RETURNS

Yards	Player, Opponent, Site, Date
100	Dick Kearns vs. Denver at Denver, Nov. 24, 1938 (TD).
100	Johnny Zeigler vs. Colorado Mines in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1942 (TD).
100	Steve Rosga vs. Oklahoma State in Boulder, Oct. 12, 1996 (TD).
100	<b>Nick Fisher vs. California in Boulder, Oct. 28, 2017 (TD).</b>

**Note:** if the NCAA scored returns like the NFL, Fisher would have been credited with a 109-yard return (CU's head statistician is also the Broncos').

**THE 100-100 CLUB** Colorado has now had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on **43** occasions in its history (**33-10** record); it happened for the third time this season with **TB Phillip Lindsay** (33-161) and **WR Shay Fields** (4-101). Previously it happened against Northern Colorado (Lindsay/**WR Devin Ross** as the duo just missed becoming the first to do 150/150) and Oregon State (Lindsay/**WR Bryce Bobo**).

**THE 200-200 CLUB** Colorado rushed for 200 yards and passed for 353, the third time this year the Buffs had the 200/200 double (also against Northern Arizona and Arizona). It's the 13th time under MacIntyre the Buffs have achieved it (CU is 9-4 in those games, and have now done it 66 times in its history, going 56-10).

**AND THE 350-200 CLUB** This was the seventh-time CU passed for 350 yards and rushed for 200, the first time in a conference game. The list:

- 9/12/81 vs. Texas Tech (359 passing, 205 rushing)
- 9/16/95 vs. NE Louisiana (533 passing, 225 rushing)
- 9/07/96 at Colorado State (364 passing, 281 rushing)
- 9/11/99 vs. San Jose State (474 passing, 293 rushing)
- 9/18/04 vs. North Texas (383 passing, 203 rushing)
- 9/15/17 vs. Northern Colorado (357 passing, 212 rushing)
- 10/28/17 vs. California (353 passing, 200 rushing)

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## INDIVIDUAL LINER NOTES

### QB Steven Montez (26-20-0, 347, 3 TD, 227.1 rating)

--He had a career-best QB Rating (227.1, previous 224.3 vs. Idaho State last year); his 76.9 completion percentage was his second career best (21-of-27 vs. Washington last month, or 77.8).

--The 347 yards passing was the third 300-yard game of his career and second of the season (357 yards vs. UNC on Sept. 16, 2017; 333 yards at Oregon on Sept. 24, 2016).

--This was his fifth career game with three or more TDs;

--He is now over 2,000 yards passing on the season (2,059; the 17th 2,000-yard passing season in CU history) and he became the 13th Buffs to top 3,000 career yards (3,076; he's now 12th on the list).

--On CU's first four drives of the game he was 7-of-9 passing for 206 yards and two TDs, with those seven completions went to six different receivers; he finished the game completing a pass to eight different Buffs.

--He has now attempted the third most passes without an interception at Colorado (has a 15-6 TD-to-INT ratio in 2017).

### Most Attempts Without An Interception

152 – Sefo Liufau (nine games, Nov. 13, 2015 to Nov. 3, 2016)

139 – Joel Klatt (five games, Oct. 15 to Nov. 12, 2005)

**134 – Steven Montez (four games, Sept. 23 to present)**

131 – Tyler Hansen (four games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 1, 2011)

118 – Sefo Liufau (five games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 3, 2015)

114 – Cody Hawkins (four games, Oct. 9 to Nov. 6, 2010)

107 – Sefo Liufau (four games, Oct. 10-31, 2015)

104 – Craig Ochs (four games, Oct. 14 to Nov. 4, 2000)

100 – John Hessler (six games, Sept. 2 to Oct. 7, 1995)

### TB Phillip Lindsay (33-161 rushing, 2-23 receiving)

--He recorded the 11th 100-yard rushing game of his career and fifth of the season; he had his sixth run of 35 or more yards with his 39-yarder in the first quarter.

--He is inching closer to CU's top marks; he already holds the all-purpose record and has been adding to it (**5,476**); he is third in rushing with **3,487** with Rodney Stewart in his sights (3,598, 2008-11), and he moved into second in yards from scrimmage with 4,379, passing Eric Bieniemy (4,320); Stewart owns the mark at 4,567.

### WR Shay Fields (4-101, 1 TD receiving)

--His 65-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter was the 20th TD reception of his career and the 10th reception of over 50 yards. In the process, he became the sixth Buff in history to have 20 in a career (he's the 10th active player).

--This was his sixth career 100-yard receiving game and second of the season.

--He moved past Paul Richardson into sixth on CU's all-time receiving yards list with 2,420 (P-Rich had 2012, 2010-13).

### DB Nick Fisher (1-100, 1 TD interception return)

--In addition to becoming the 11th player to have a 100-yard play in school history, he is the 17th Buffs since 1992 to return his first career interception for a touchdown; the last to do it was ILB Rick Gamboa against Iowa State last year.

### PK James Stefanou (14 points; 3-3 FG, 5-5 PAT)

--He is now 28-of-28 on extra points and 13-of-15 on field goals, for 67 points on the year (he skipped by Phillip Lindsay with 66 for the team lead).

### Other

--**TB Beau Bisharat** had the longest rush of his career (11 yards) and made his first collegiate reception.

--**S Evan Worthington** had first career quarterback sack.